

VolunteerBloomington!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "Wherever a man turns he can find someone who needs him." ~ Albert Schweitzer, Theologian, Philosopher, Physician

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Friends of the Library Bookstore Clearance Sale - Oct. 2-4

The Friends of the Library Bookstore requests your assistance with their clearance sale which will run from Oct. 2-4 at the Monroe County Public Library. Volunteers will help customers and keep displays orderly. Shifts on Fri. and Sat. are 10 a.m.-noon, noon-2 p.m., 2-4 p.m., and 4-6 p.m. Shifts on Sun. are noon-2 p.m., 2-4 p.m., and 4-6 p.m. Minimum age is 16; 15 if with an adult. Please contact Mary Jean Regoli, Monroe Co. Public Library Foundation, at (812) 349-3050 ext. 1080 or fol@mcpl.info. (www.mcpl.info/friends)

Lake Lemon Volunteer Work Day - Oct. 3

The Lake Lemon Conservancy District invites you to join the crew on Oct. 3rd for a volunteer work day. Volunteers will do Fall beautification projects around Riddle Point Park, such as removing woody growth around the shore and recovering an area where invasive plants have taken over. Drinks and light snacks will be provided. The work day will run from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.; volunteers are asked to devote any two hours during that time. Minimum age is 18; 13 if with an adult. Please contact Susan Snider Salmon at (812) 334-0233 or susansnidersalmon@comcast.net. (www.lakelemon.org)

The Romp Mud Run & 5K – Oct. 30 (setup), Oct. 31 (run)

The Romp Mud Run is a 2.5 mile obstacle course adventure race through mud, sand, water, and land, set for Oct. 31 at Riddle Point on Lake Lemon. There will also be a 5K run/walk. Almost 100 volunteers, each taking a 2-3 hour shift, will make this awesome fundraiser happen to support the Boys and Girls Clubs of Bloomington. On Oct. 30, course setup volunteers will get everything ready, then, between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Oct. 31 - race day - volunteers will help with registration, hospitality, parking, lifeguarding (certification required), obstacle monitoring, check out and tear-down. All volunteers will receive an event t-shirt, refreshments and free participation in the race. Minimum age is 18; 12 if with an adult. Please contact Amy Swain at (812) 332-5311 ext. 14 or events@bgcbloomington.org. (www.bgcbloomington.org)

Uplands PEAK Farm Sanctuary

Located in Salem, Indiana, Uplands PEAK Sanctuary is a 20-acre farm animal refuge with about 15 acres of woods. The Sanctuary offers the opportunity to experience connections with pigs, cows, or chickens as they live out their lives with love and care. There are several ways to get involved: weekly volunteers do non-skilled chores such as cleaning stalls and water bowls. This is a great way to hang out with the animals. The Sunday Visit Guides, who volunteer from April through October, assist from 11a.m. to 3 p.m., greeting people, selling merchandise, and keeping everything running smoothly during tours. Minimum age is 18. You may sign up at: http://uplandspeaksanctuary.org/get-involved/volunteer or contact Mark Pruitt at (812) 896-2114 or uplandspeak@uplandspeaksanctuary.org. (www.uplandspeaksanctuary.org)

Reuse and Recycle for Charity

Every day, the Salvation Army receives hundreds of pounds of donated goods: clothing, furniture, electronics, art, jewlery and more. They save these materials from ending up in the landfill by selling what is good to the public at low prices. Those funds are used to support their Child Development Center, food pantry and financial assistance programs. Items not suitable to sell are recycled, old clothes become rags and broken electronics are disposed of safely. Volunteers assist with receiving, sorting, and hanging donated items and in making the store an attractive destination for customers. Minimum age is 16; no minimum if with an adult. Please contact Peter Iversen at (812) 336-4310 ext. 102 or peter iversen@usc.salvationarmy.org. (www.bloomington.salvationarmyindiana.org)

Community Wish List Spotlight

Monroe County Humane Association

Provides education, programming and resources about animal care. To grant a wish, contact Rebecca Warren at rwarren@monroehumane.org or (812) 333-6242. (3410 S. Walnut St.; www.monroehumane.org)

Wishes: catnip, large dog beds, cat scratchers, gift cards, Clorox disinfecting wipes, paper towels, trash bags (13 gal., 30 gal.), stamps, premium dog treats

Use the Community Wish List to start a drive within your school, faith community or other group or buy a few items yourself. It WILL make a difference to those served by this organization.

The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit BloomingtonVolunteerNetwork.org or call 812-349-3433. The inclusion of an organization in this list does not imply City endorsement or support of the organization's activities or policies.

